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SUBJ: NINO PERIZI SCULPTURE

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1. DETAILS ON GIFT OF PERIZI SCULPTURE HAVE COME TO LIGHT.
2. PADUA CITY GOVERNMENT AND DIRECTOR GIORGIO SEGATO OF BIENNIAL SCULPTURE EXHIBIT CALLED THE BIENNALE DEL BRONZETTO ASKED FOREIGN MINISTRY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST OF THE SCULPTURE IN ORDER TO DONATE IT TO THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY PUT \$1,500 TOWARDS THE COST. PADUA CITY PAID ADDITIONAL \$1,200 AND PERIZI LOWERED HIS PRICE, ADDING A SMALL MODEL AS A PERSONAL GIFT FOR THE AMBASSADOR. THE SCULPTURE IS NOW PACKED AND READY FOR SHIPMENT IN PADUA. SIZE: 3.2 X .8 X 1.2 METERS. WEIGHT 150 KILOGRAMS. ESTIMATED SHIPPING COSTS BY SEA \$600.
3. NEITHER PADUA NOR TRIESTE HAS A TWIN CITY RELATIONSHIP. EITHER WOULD BE APPROPRIATE CANDIDATE, AND STATUE COULD THEN BE OPENING SYMBOL.
4. NOTE THIS GIFT MADE IN NOVEMBER. FEAR GRACE PERIOD OF UNDERSTANDABLE DELAY WILL SOON EXPIRE. REMIND OF ORIGINAL HOPE THAT THE SCULPTURE COULD GRACE A PUBLIC BUILDING IN WASHINGTON. VOLPE

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